

FIFTH EDITION.

RUPTURE RELIEVED

... BY ...

RORICK AIR CUSHION TRUSS.

EFFICIENT, COMFORTABLE, AND CURATIVE.

The RORICK AIR PAD is guaranteed to last two and one-half years with perfect satisfaction, or money refunded.

Different from anything that has ever been in use. Entirely new principle. The greatest discovery of the age. Relief for the ruptured secured at last. Hard rubber, metal, and wood pads, coils and springs must give way to the Rorick Air Cushion. It is a new pliable truss which meets the requirements of all cases of hernia. Once used
... no other style can take its place.

RORICK AIR CUSHION TRUSS COMPANY,

724 Eleventh Street Northwest,

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Soldiers, See Last Page of Cover.

The Roriek Air Cushion Pad!

Guaranteed to last and give perfect satisfaction for *two and one-half years*. Many have worn them for three and four years, and the Pads are more comfortable and effective now than when first used. Operates by muscular action; being of soft rubber gives way to any unusual exertion on the affected part. Its pressure is mild and sure, and when properly fitted will retain the most difficult hernia with ease and comfort to the wearer. The pressure required to retain and protect the rupture is obtained by the elasticity of the pad, making it capable of adapting itself over the opening through which the rupture escapes, thereby holding it gently beyond all possibility of escaping during all kinds of exercise or change of position of body, securing patient against danger of strangulation which might occur by improper retention of rupture.

SOLDIERS,

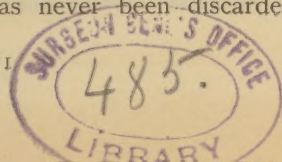
See back outside cover of catalogue how to obtain a truss **FREE**.

ALL trusses heretofore put upon the market have been supplied with hard pads made of Ivory, Wood, Celluloid, or some other unyielding substance which requires a heavy pressure and must of necessity protrude into and widen the breach and cause atrophy of the parts by preventing circulation.

The Air Cushion, on the contrary, being soft and pliable, adapts itself to the contour of the parts, and instead of protruding into the rupture is flattened out over the entire surface, securely holding with a light but equally adjusted pressure every section of the breach. The pressure being so light and the cushion so soft, a free circulation of the blood goes on, and a healthy growth and building up of the muscular tissue ensues, and in many cases a perfect cure is the result.

The material out of which the *air cushion* or *pad* is made is a composition of *soft rubber* and a preparation of iron, *inflated with air*, which makes it smooth, pliable, and free from absorption of secretions. It never becomes rough or irritating, and always retains its elasticity.

It is believed that a perfect adjustment of the Air Cushion and proper care will cure all recent and many cases of rupture of long standing. It has been thoroughly tested, many cases have been cured, and the truss has never been discarded where once used.



This truss is unlike others, in accommodating itself to changes in the patient's form, and does not require refitting on account of the change.

Letters addressed to THE RORICK AIR CUSHION TRUSS CO., 724 *Eleventh Street Northwest, Washington, D. C.*, will receive prompt and careful attention.

**POINTS TO BE NOTED IN REGARD TO THIS NEW
AND WONDERFUL INVENTION.**

I. THE PAD.—It is something entirely new, unlike in structure and principle to any ever before made. It is so constructed that it adjusts itself to every movement and motion of the body, among the most important of which are the various movements produced upon the abdomen by breathing. Note this : That to have free respiration the abdomen must constantly expand and contract *freely*, to let the diaphragm *under the lungs* sink and rise freely. There is no liability of heating, blistering, or chafing, and it dispenses with the obnoxious spring coil or hard substance used in all Pads heretofore in use.

Sir Astley Cooper says, in his great work on hernia :

“ The object in applying a truss is to close the mouth of the hernial sac, and destroy its communication with the abdomen ; and this object can never be perfectly fulfilled by any truss which is applied upon the external abdominal

ring. In this case the cure must be incomplete, because a considerable portion of the hernial sac remains uncompressed towards the abdomen, which is that situated between the abdominal ring and the opening of the sac into the cavity of the belly." Again : "Nor is this all the mischief that attends this practice ; for the pressure of the spermatic cord by the truss against the os pubis frequently occasions great pain, to relieve which the patient is constantly shifting its situation and destroying its effect, and often the testes themselves become wasted by the interruption of the circulation."

" *The Rorick Air Cushion Truss*," giving the pressure over the internal ring, assists the external muscle and completely closes the natural valve. The external and internal muscles being pressed together, there is no opening to distend ; on the other hand, by applying trusses at the external ring the opening becomes gradually distended, and the orifice becomes gradually larger and larger.

DIRECTIONS FOR ORDERING.

The fitness of the truss for the purpose and its just adaptation to the individual case is one of the greatest importance.

1st. If not versed in the different kinds of hernia give as good an idea of the location of the rupture as you can. If single, mention whether on the right or left side.

2d. Give about the size of the parts when protruded.

3d. The number of inches around the body in line of the rupture.

4th. Whether fleshy or lean.

5th. Have you had any difficulty in retaining the rupture.

6th. State the kind of truss, hard rubber, leather-covered spring, or belt you desire (see cuts), and always give number of figure.

Address or call on THE RORICK AIR CUSHION TRUSS COMPANY, No. 724 Eleventh St. N. W., Washington, D. C.

UMBILICAL HERNIA.

At the navel there is an opening during life that will admit a common-sized goose-quill. When any part of the contents of the abdomen is forced through this opening it is termed umbilical hernia or rupture. Its first appearance is about as large as the tip of the finger, and can be returned by a very slight pressure into the cavity of the abdomen. If nothing is done to prevent its growth it enlarges gradually to an enormous size, and produces a great deal of suffering and endangers life. *The Rorick Air Cushion Pad* gives perfect ease, and cures all recent cases. (See Illustrations.)

DIRECTIONS FOR ORDERING UMBILICAL TRUSSES.

1st. For an umbilical truss, give the distance around the body in line of the rupture.

2d. Give about the size of the rupture when protruded.

3d. Can the rupture be reduced?

4th. In case the rupture is returned into the cavity of the abdomen, will the opening admit one or more fingers? Always state No. of Figure you desire. (See Illustrations.)

HOW TO ORDER.

If you have no druggist in your town who keeps our goods, or from motives of delicacy you prefer to deal with us direct, enclose amount of price of Truss selected, by Postal Order, or Draft on New York, or Registered Letter.

It is cheaper to send one Truss by mail than express, and quite as expeditious.

Money may be sent at our risk, by Registered Letter, Post-office Money Order, or Drafts.

Never send money by Mail in Unregistered Letters.

Write your orders plain, also your address, and give the name of *Town, County, and State, in all cases*, as there are many places with the same name in every State in the Union.

Orders from strangers for Trusses, unaccompanied by the money, will not be noticed. Nothing will be sent C. O. D. No charge will be made for refitting or exchanging a Truss if it is returned in good order, but if soiled or partly worn, will not be exchanged without charge, unless there is an imperfection in the goods. We guarantee satisfaction.

TO LADIES.

We are frequently asked if our trusses are adapted for women. We reply, perfectly.

THE CORRECT AND MOST SUCCESSFUL TREATMENT OF HERNIA.

During the history of truss manufacture there has been employed for the construction of the pads a large variety of materials, all more or less objectionable, many of which will be found in use at the present day. Among the earliest was buckskin, with its soft stuffing of shoddy wool or other absorbent material, which while it would apparently indicate comfort and ease to the wearer, soon becomes saturated when in use with the secretions of the body, thus rendering it objectionable from its sour and foul odor, in connection with its tendency to parboil, chafe, and blister the skin, thus frequently resulting in great discomfort to the wearer. The so-called *Water Pad* is the nearest approach to the *Rorick Air Pad*, but made upon entirely different principle. The soft rubber is covered with cloth, which becomes offensive and irritates. Its elasticity depends upon the *water inside* the pad. The water absorbs by degrees and rots the rubber, and the Pad collapses and becomes useless.

The Greatest Merit of the RORICK AIR PAD is this, viz.: It never Collapses, never Loses its Elasticity, and the Longer it is Worn the Smoother and More Comfortable and Effective it becomes.

One of the most eminent physicians and surgeons in Washington City has worn a *Rorick Air Pad Truss* now for over *four years*, and while he has renewed the Truss from time to time, he has never changed the *Air Pad*, and he says, "*The Pad is better and more comfortable now than when first used.*" We could furnish thousands of testimonials to this fact.

An experience of many years in the treatment of ruptures has led us to the discovery of a pad which is the most comfortable, *durable*, and perfect in use, and is adjustable to all kinds of springs or belts, and adapted to all ages or sexes.

Call on or address—

THE RORICK AIR CUSHION TRUSS CO.,
724 Eleventh Street N. W., Washington, D. C.

Relying upon the extraordinary merits of the Rorick Air Cushion Truss, the managers expect to speedily introduce it into general use among all civilized nations of the globe.

Those who have used the Truss can tell from experience the facts regarding its merits as **the longer it is worn the more comfortable and effective it becomes.**

Tested by a trial in many of the principal cities, it is now placed before the public. Read, if you are interested, the information contained within. If you are a sufferer you will learn of sure relief or permanent cure.

Steel Springs with Leather Covers, or Hard Rubber Trusses.

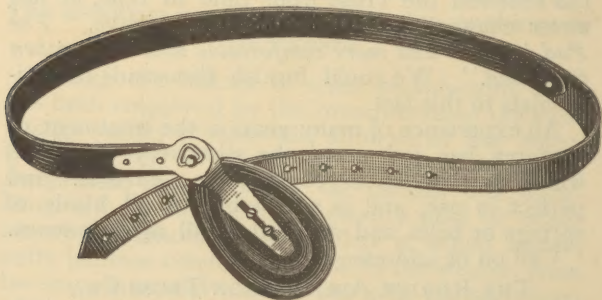


Fig. 1.—The Rorick Improved Air Cushion Pad.

REVERSIBLE CLUTCH JOINT SINGLE TRUSS. Can be adjusted to either side.

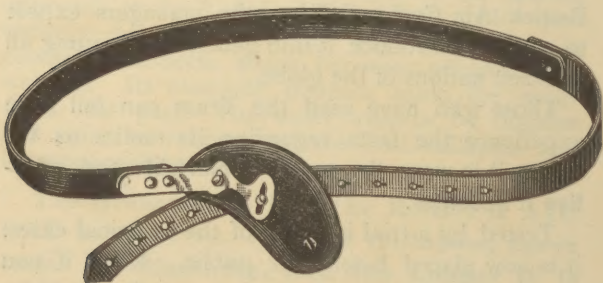


Fig. 2.—The Rorick Improved Air Cushion Pad.

ADJUSTABLE FRENCH SINGLE TRUSS. Applied from affected or ruptured side.



Fig. 3.—The Rorick Improved Air Cushion Pad.

**CHASE STYLE FEMORAL SINGLE TRUSS, with flexible
neck pad attachment.**

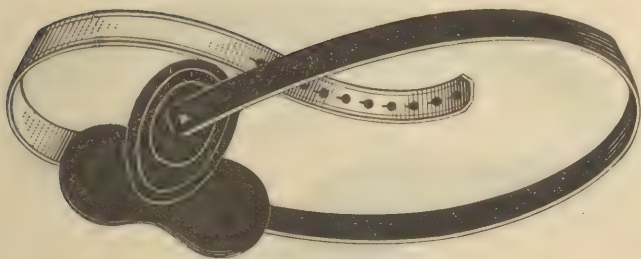


Fig. 4.—The Rorick improved Air Cushion Pad.

**SELF-ADJUSTING OR CROSS-BODY, applicable to
either side.**

DOUBLE.

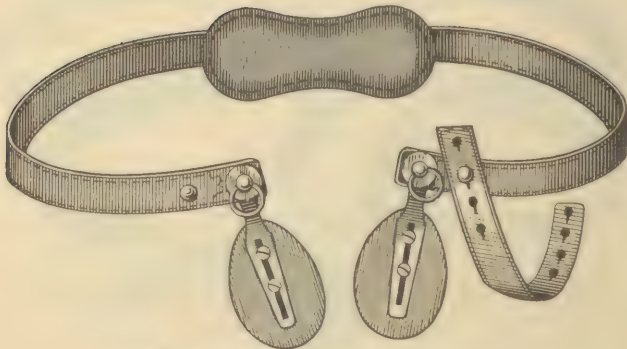


Fig. 5.—The Rorick Improved Air Cushion Pad.

CLUTCH JOINT.

CHASE STYLE.

IMPROVED.

SINGLE.

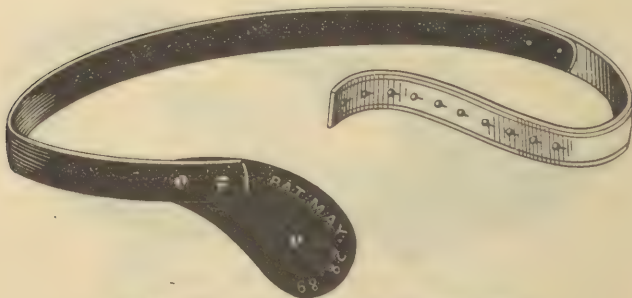


Fig 6.—The Rorick Improved Air Cushion Pad.

FRENCH.

DOUBLE OR SINGLE.

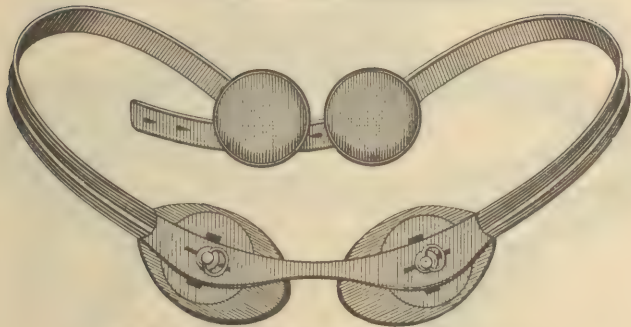


Fig. 229.—The Rorick Improved Air Cushion Pad.

HOOD. In ordering single, state if right or left.

DOUBLE ONLY.

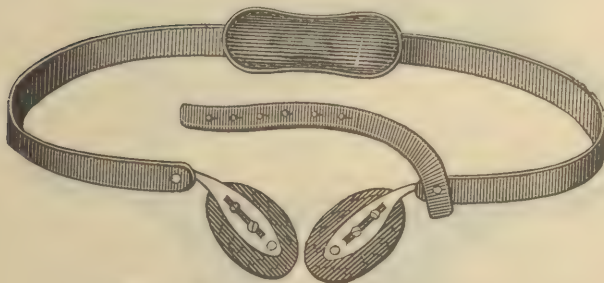


Fig. 7.—The Rorick Improved Air Cushion Pad.

CHASE GENUINE MALLEABLE IRON NECKS.

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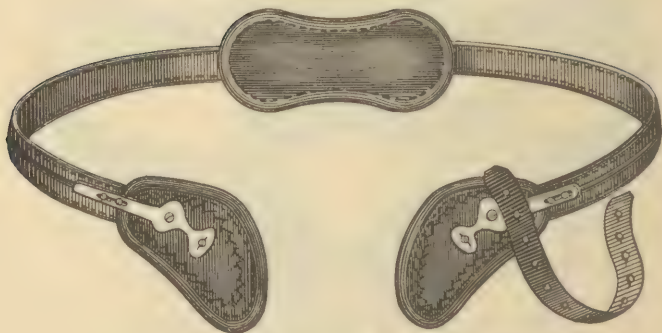


Fig. 8.—The Rorick Improved Air Cushion Pad.
ADJUSTABLE FRENCH DOUBLE TRUSS.

DOUBLE ONLY.



Fig. 12.—The Rorick Improved Air Cushion Pad.
DOUBLE FRENCH.

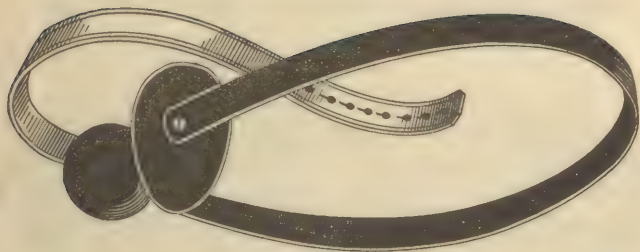


Fig. 21.

CROSS-BODY. Air Cushion on back.

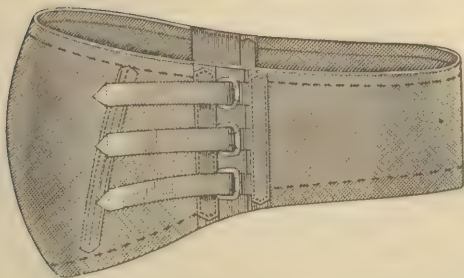


Fig. 22.

ABDOMINAL BELT.

All Elastic Abdominal Belt.—Made to Buckle or Lace, in Silk and Thread.

Made entirely of Elastic Fabric, same as the Elastic Hosiery; it adapts itself more fully to the shape of Abdomen.

(See Plate 2 for Measurement Directions.)

What We Have Done and What We Are Doing.

The Rorick Air Cushion Truss Co. was established in this city in Dec., 1889. The wonderful and marvelous success it has attained so far exceeded the expectations of the Company that we have been forced to issue the 5th edition of our Illustrated Catalogue, containing many new cuts and much valuable information relating to our patent. So eager have those unfortunate beings, suffering with hernia, been to learn of our truss that the four previous editions of 50,000 copies each have been exhausted. Our Air Pad is now known and used in every State in the Union, as well as throughout the Dominion of Canada. We have sold and are now selling large numbers to the Government for free issue to old soldiers who are pensioned for rupture. There are hundreds of old soldiers who are entitled to trusses, but do not know it. They should address the Surgeon-General, U. S. Army, Washington, D. C., for instructions and method of procedure. We will be pleased to have you give our truss a trial.

RORICK AIR CUSHION TRUSS CO.,

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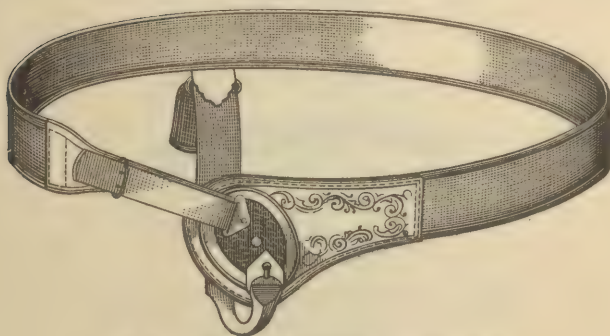
**Elastic Trusses. Rorick Improved Air Cush-
ion Pads. Elastic Webbing, Heavy.**

DOUBLE.



**Fig. 9.—The Rorick Improved Air Cushion Pad.
NEW YORK ELASTIC.**

SINGLE.



**Fig. 10.—The Rorick Improved Air Cushion Pad.
NEW YORK ELASTIC SINGLE, REVERSIBLE.**

UMBILICAL.

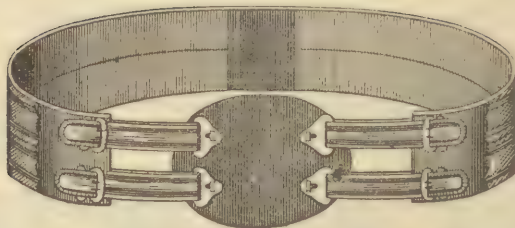


Fig. 11.—The Rorick Improved Air Cushion Pad.

UMBILICAL. Best Quality Silk Elastic.

YOUTHS AND CHILDREN.

**Rorick's Improved Air Cushion Pads. Leather Covered,
Hard Rubber, or Elastic Trusses.**

CHILDREN AND YOUTHS.



Fig. 13.—The Rorick Improved Air Cushion Pad.

REVERSIBLE CHASE.

CHILDREN AND YOUTHS.

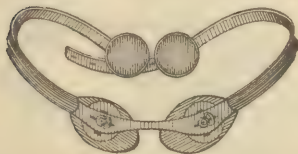


Fig. 229.—The Rorick Improved Air Cushion Pad.

CHILDREN AND YOUTHS.



Fig. 14.—The Rorick Improved Air Cushion Pad,
FRENCH SINGLE.

CHILDREN AND YOUTHS.



Fig. 15.—The Rorick Improved Air Cushion Pad.
FRENCH DOUBLE.

CHILDREN AND YOUTHS.



Fig. 20.—The Rorick Improved Air Cushion Pad.
LEATHER COVERED, SELF-ADJUSTING (Swivel).
Nickel-plated Fixtures and Springs; Fine Calf Covers, Kid, and Hard Rubber. Applied from the well or opposite side.

ELASTIC WEBBING. CHILDREN AND YOUTHS.

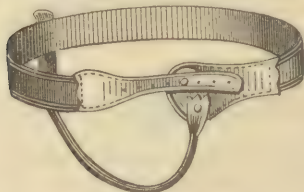


Fig. 16.—The Rorick Improved Air Cushion Pad.
ELASTIC, REVERSIBLE.

CHILDREN AND YOUTHS.

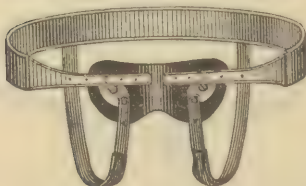


Fig. 17.—The Rorick Improved Air Cushion Pad.
ELASTIC, DOUBLE.

SCROTAL COMPRESSOR.

Made of open-weave thread with drawstrings inserted through meshes of bag, so that scrotum can be compressed.

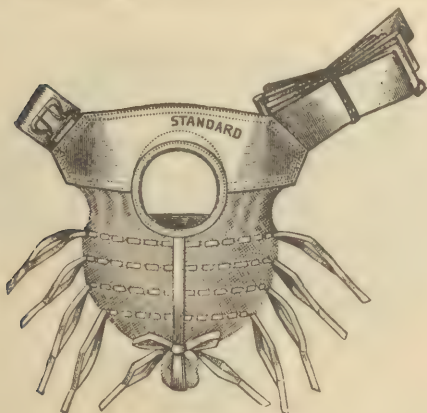


Fig. 18.—Rorick's Standard.

H. B. STAR. (Army and Navy.)

An Elastic, Self-adjusting Suspensory, giving full support with comfort to the wearer ; the bag is open-weave with elastic body band and thigh straps.



Fig. 19.—Rorick's Improved Army and Navy.

APPLIANCES FOR PROLAPSUS ANI.

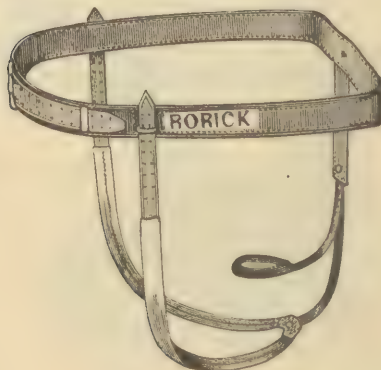


Fig. 26.—Rorick File Truss.

FOR PROLAPSUS ANI OR PILES.

A wide Russian Calf Belt fitted with Hard Rubber Adjustable
Pad Springs and

RORICK IMPROVED AIR CUSHION PAD.

Standard Uterine Supporter.

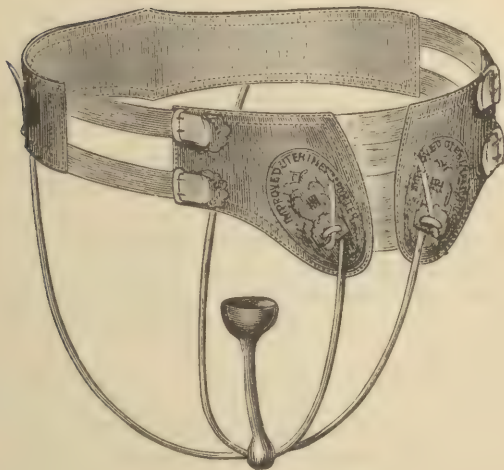


Fig. 27.—Uterine Supporter.

Made of fine Brown Pebble, Russia, or Russet Leather. The Cup shown is for Prolapsus. The safest and surest combination to secure a radical and permanent cure.

UTERINE DISPLACEMENTS

AND THEIR TREATMENT AND CURE

BY THE

STANDARD UTERINE SUPPORTER.

Many ailments with which women are afflicted are caused by Displacements of the Womb, and our object in presenting the Standard Uterine Supporter is to furnish an instrument or combination that will not only alleviate the affliction, but entirely eradicate the disease.

Circulars showing Supporter applied to a case of Retroversion accompany each instrument, or can be had on application.

The Standard Uterine Supporter is an Abdominal Supporter, combined with the Internal (or Uterine) Support; the external support or belt relieves the womb of the weight of the abdomen, and assists the internal uterine support most effectually. The cup and stem (or internal support) is made of hard rubber attached to the abdominal belt by elastic rubber tubes, making it self-adjusting, and thus enabling the patient to apply and wear it without causing pain or inconvenience. The cup is perforated, so that all secretions can pass out, and has no joints in which they can collect; it will not corrode like metal; can be bent to any curve or shape required by gently heating over a lamp or in hot water, and will retain the shape when once changed.

The instrument should always be applied by a physician, and not by patient, so that the correct length of stem and size of cup is ascertained ; but after proper application it can be removed and replaced by the patient without assistance, or the least danger, as it is self-adjusting and self-supporting by the use of the rubber tubes and cannot cause the least irritation or pain.

It will not interfere with any of Nature's needs ; can be worn at all times ; the patient can walk, sit, or take any position of the body without inconvenience, and it does not provoke the disease by constricting or strangulating the neck of the uterus, as many ring pessaries do, nor does the cup enlarge or distend the walls of the vagina.

The Abdominal Belt is often used alone in slight cases and with great success, as it takes the pressure from the womb and enables it to regain its natural position, but the cure of all cases can be hastened by the addition of the cup, which supports the womb, and with its elastic attachments, gently assists nature to bring the parts into their proper places.

The patient should always avoid tight clothing, constipation, and other causes which tend to produce or provoke the disease, and in particular avoid over-exertion about the month ; support the skirts from the shoulders and do not wear corsets.

DIRECTIONS FOR ORDERING.

Take the measurement around the body, about two inches below the tips of hips, avoiding the fullness of abdomen. State whether for Prolapsus, Anteversion,

or Retroversion, and if possible give size of Cup and length of Stem needed. When no special sizes are given we send our No. 1 Cup with 3-inch Stem and $1\frac{1}{4}$ inch inside diameter of Cup, which we find suitable for most cases.



Cup Pessaries made in eight sizes as given in table below.

Cutter's styles of Pessaries made in sizes 1, 4, and 6.

Made of Solid Hard Rubber.

We have in stock the following sizes of Cup Pessaries, viz.:

No. 1, $1\frac{1}{4}$ inch Dia., Stem 3 in.	No. 5, 1 inch Dia., Stem $2\frac{3}{4}$ in.
" 2, $1\frac{1}{4}$ " " " $2\frac{3}{4}$ "	" 6, 1 " " " $2\frac{1}{2}$ "
" 3, $1\frac{1}{4}$ " " " $2\frac{1}{2}$ "	" 7, $1\frac{1}{4}$ " " " $3\frac{1}{4}$ "
" 4, $1\frac{1}{2}$ " " " 3 "	" 8, $1\frac{1}{4}$ " " " $3\frac{1}{2}$ "

and make any special Cup to order if a different size or shape is required.

For Application.—Thread the cords or tubes through the holes in the Stem, attach at the back of Belt and put Belt on, then the patient should take a reclining position on her side, the womb replaced to near its normal position and the Cup introduced, drawing the tubes up snug and fastening in front, unless in very bad cases, when they are to be *gradually* drawn up.

Physicians will more fully understand it from the illustration accompanying the Instrument.

A few styles of the Rorick Air Cushion Pads.

Special sizes furnished when required.

Figures are one-third of size of Air Cushion Pads.

STYLES.

Figure 1.

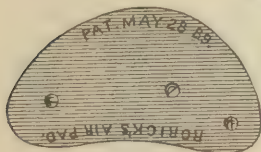


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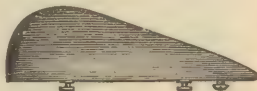


Position 2.

Figure 2.



Position 1.



Position 2.

Figure 3.

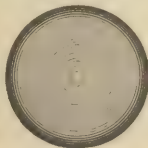


Position 1.



Position 2.

Figure 4.



EXPLANATION.

Figure 1 is a Rorick Improved Air Cushion Chase Pad. Can be adjusted to either side, single trusses, hard rubber or leather-covered springs or belts.

Position 1 shows face of pad. Position 2 shows the side or thickness of pad.

Figure 2—Rorick Improved Air Cushion Extension and Adjustable French Pad.

Position 1 shows face of Pad. Position 2 shows side or thickness of Pad.

Figure 3—Rorick Improved Air Cushion French Pad.

Position 1 shows face of Pad. Position 2 shows side or thickness of Pad.

Figure 4—Shows the face of a Rorick Air Cushion Back Pad.

All these pads can be used on Hard Rubber, or Leather-covered Springs or belts.

Children's and Youths' sizes smaller, according to age. Youths' sizes from 21 to 28 inches. Children's sizes from 12 to 20 inches.

Air Pads—all sizes required.

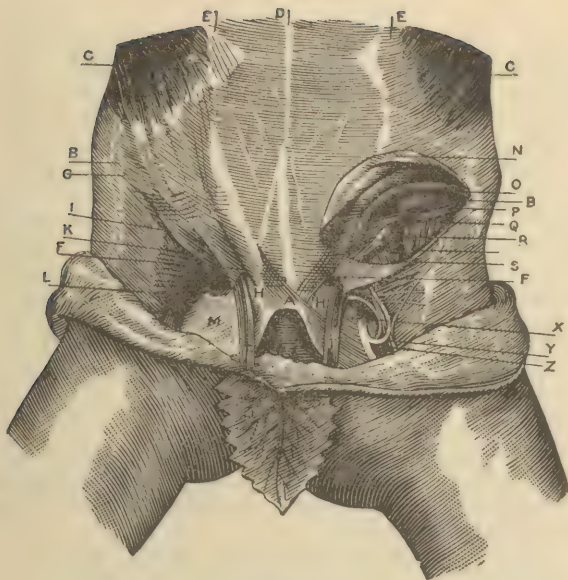


PLATE 1.

EXPLANATION OF PLATE.

a. Symphysis pubis.

b b. Anterior and superior spinous process of the ileum.

c c. External oblique muscles.

d. Linea alba extending down to the symphysis pubis, and formed by the union of the tendinous fibres of the two oblique and transverse muscles.

e e. Linea semilunaris, formed by the union of the tendinous fibres of the external and internal oblique and transverse muscles.

ff. The abdominal rings, formed by the separation of two columns of tendinous fibres; the upper inserted at "*a*" into each os pubis; the lower inserted into the pubis at "*h*," after passing behind the spermatic cord.

g. The origin of some tendinous fibres which proceed from the anterior spinous process of the ileum, and crossing the columns of tendon, assist in uniting them above the abdominal ring.

iz. Poupart's ligament, or the crural arch, which is extended from the anterior spinous process of the ileum at "*b*" to the pubis at "*h*," receiving the lower column of tendon which forms a part of the abdominal ring, and which passes behind the cord to be inserted from the spinous process to the crest of the pubis.

k. The fascia lata of the thigh, which is continued from Poupart's ligament, and seen turning in under the femoral vessels near the middle of the fore part of the thigh.

l. The saphena major vein of the leg going through the fascia to enter the femoral vein.

m. Another part of the same fascia which arises from Poupart's ligament, and joins with the fascia lata, which it assists in forming.

n. The tendon of the external oblique muscles cut open to show the parts which are situated behind it.

o. The internal oblique muscle; its lower edge, which arises from Poupart's ligament, is raised and turned to show the parts behind it. It is inserted into the pubis behind the upper columns of tendon which forms the abdominal ring.

p. The transversalis muscle. Its lower edge

also arises from Poupart's ligament, but is here raised and turned up. It, in its natural state, runs over the cord to be inserted into the pubis behind the abdominal ring, which it serves as a valve to close posteriorly.

q. A fascia, connected with Poupart's ligament, which runs upwards to the transversalis, and unites itself to the posterior part of transverse muscle and its tendon, and thus prevents the bowels from slipping between the lower edge of the muscle and Poupart's ligament, or between the fibres of the muscle itself. That portion of the fascia which is placed between the spinous process of the ileum at "b" and the hole "r" is strong; but that between the hole "r" and the pubis is often little more than condensed cellular membrane, as that part is strengthened by the tendon of the transversalis, and by the epigastric artery. A portion of the fascia is fixed in the pubis, and another part of it passes behind Poupart's ligament to unite with the femoral vessels.

r. The place at which the spermatic cord goes into the abdomen. The fascia situated on its outer side and lower part is of considerable density, but becoming thin upon its inner side, so as to show the epigastric artery and vein behind it; from the edge of the fascia a thin layer is sent off, which unites itself to the spermatic cord, which fascia in this section has been removed.

s. The epigastric artery and vein, situated behind the fascia transversalis, at first on the inner side and afterwards behind the spermatic cord. The epigastric artery is shown here by cutting the fascia transversalis parallel to it.

tt. The spermatic cord, nearly two inches of which are above and to the outer side of the abdominal ring, and still not in the abdomen; it is also seen below the ring, running to the testicle.

x. The saphenous opening.

y. Femoral artery as located under the vein.

z. Femoral vein.

Take the exact circumference at points indicated with letters and lengths as noted below.

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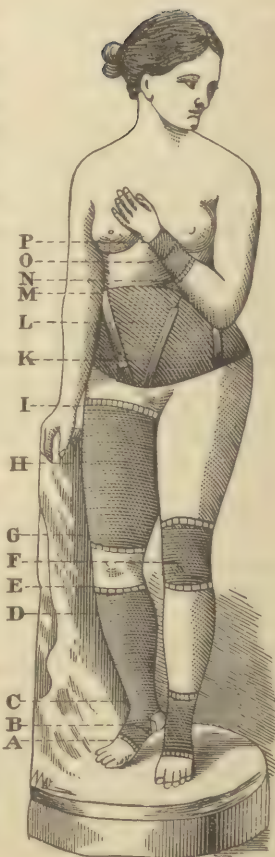


Plate 2.

For a Thigh Stocking—Circumference at A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I. Length from sole of foot to F (center of knee) and from F to I on inside of Limb. (See Plate 2.)

For a Thigh Piece—Circumference at G, H, I. Length from G to I.

For a Knee Stocking—Circumference at A, B, C, D, E, F, G. Length from sole of foot to F.

For a Knee-Cap—Circumference at E, F, G.

For a Garter Stocking—Circumference at A, B, C, D, E. Length from sole of foot to E.

For an Abdominal Belt—Circumference at K, L, M, and depth of front.

EXPLANATION OF LETTERS.

M—Around where top of belt is to come.

L—Navel.

K—About two inches below tips of Hips, measure being drawn just above pubic bone, avoiding fullness of abdomen.

I—Upper part of Thigh at top of Crotch.

H—Middle of Thigh.

G—A little above Knee-Cap.

F—Bend of Knee, over Knee-Cap.

E—Garter.

D—Largest part of Calf.

C—Smallest part of Ankle just above Joint.

B—Instep.

A—Ball of Foot.

Caution.—Do not use Liniment, Salve, or Grease in any form on limb, as it rots the rubber.

DIRECTIONS.

To Increase Power of Spring. — Warm, by passing quickly through flame (gas jet, large spirit lamp, or twisted paper), heating both sides from end to end as shown in Fig. 23, until warm to the hand; then bend the spring by passing pads across, holding until cool (see Fig. 24), when it will be found by the *stretching* of rubber on outside and contracting on inside *while* warm, the spring has been increased *one half* to *double* its original power, remaining unchanged until again heated.

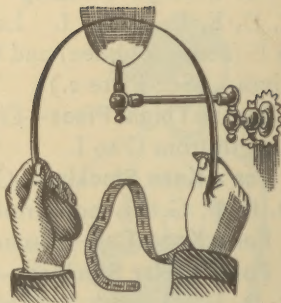


Fig. 23.

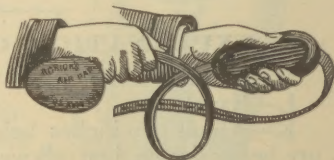


Fig. 24.

To Weaken Power of Spring. — Warm as above, (Fig. 23), then straighten gradually with hand, or bend over arm of chair, holding until cool. (See Fig. 25.)

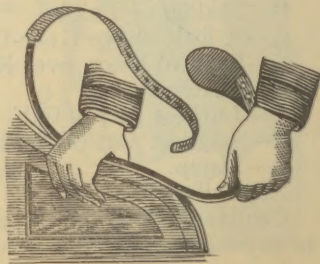


Fig. 25.

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